In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) In a method that includes encoding one or more content objects with a steganographic digital watermark, the encoding including embedding a collection of features that can be used to facilitate computation of geometrical distortion of the object after encoding, **the geometric distortion including rotation,** an improvement including step for making the collection of ~~geometrical~~ features resistant to attack.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said step includes adding said collection of ~~geometrical~~ features in some of said objects, and subtracting said collection of ~~geometrical~~ features from other of said objects.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said step includes embedding said collection of ~~geometrical~~ features at a first scale in a first object, and embedding said collection of ~~geometrical~~ features at a second, different scale in a second object.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said step includes embedding said collection of ~~geometrical~~ features at a first orientation in a first object, and embedding said collection of ~~geometrical~~ features at a second, different orientation in a second object.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said step includes obscuring said collection of ~~geometrical~~ features by designing same to become apparent only in an alternate domain.

6. (Currently Amended) In a method that includes decoding a steganographic digital watermark from an encoded object, the encoding including a template signal that aids in determining corruption of the object, **the corruption including rotation,** an improvement comprising step for detecting the template signal without log-polar remapping.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) An object ~~encoded in accordance with the method~~ **produced by the process** of claim 1.

9. (Currently Amended) A watermark detection system for ~~practicing the method of claim 6~~ **decoding a steganographic digital watermark from an encoded object, the encoding of the object including a template signal that aids in determining corruption of the object, the corruption including rotation, the system comprising a watermark decoder adapted to detect the template signal without log-polar remapping**.